

Aspire, Believe, Strive, Achieve Issue 37 Week Ending 19th July 2019



An End of Year Message From Mr. Smart

After a breathless final half term with so many exciting events, it's time to stop and put our feet up for a bit, and to reflect with pride on the last eleven months. As always, the first thing to say is how proud we all are of our They have worked so hard, risen to new challenges and made us smile and laugh every day. Many children face all sorts of difficulties and barriers to learning in their young lives, and it is inspiring to see them overcoming these issues each day. Our SATs results are the best we've had since the new system was implemented in 2015, and that is testament to the hard work of the children and staff. I am, as always, immensely grateful to our staff team and proud of the daily efforts that are made on our children's behalf. Some of the work that staff do is seen and we know all about it, but there is a lot of unseen work that goes on. Of course, we don't always get everything right, but our intentions are always the best for the children, and I am so proud to work with this team. So many times I see members of staff showing deep, genuine concern for children or coming up with innovative ideas that increase their own workload, just to ensure that children have the best possible opportunities. The staff who are leaving us epitomise these values, and we must bid farewell to the three Ws - Miss Ward, Mrs. Widdows and Mrs. Woodward, as well as Miss Clay, Miss Reid and Mr. Stuart. We wish them every success and happiness in their new and varied ventures, and thank them for everything they have done here over the last, in Mrs. Woodward's case, 22 years! We are excited to be welcoming some new members of the team: We have already told you about Mr. Ali and Miss Lawley, who have spent time this term getting to know us, and we are pleased to inform you that we have appointed a new teaching assistant - Miss Weston - who will work primarily in Year 6 to begin with. Finally, my immense gratitude as always goes to all of you, the children's families. You are overwhelmingly supportive and kind, and you do so much to support your children to get better and better at everything they do. This is very evident in the number of out of school activities our children attend. My colleagues have been very touched by the generous gifts that have been brought in - I think there will be a fair bit of chocolate consumption in the coming days! - and also by the lovely words that have been said and written. Please always remember the power of kind words; sometimes, they can come at exactly the right time and make an enormous difference. If you will still have children at our school in September, we look forward to working with you again. If your youngest child is leaving us, we wish you and your child a lifetime of fun, laughter and success in all you do. Have a wonderful summer, everyone, and we'll see most of you on 3rd September!

Whitemoor Lakes

32 Year 6 children have spent their last three days of school at Whitemoor Lakes, taking part in lots of exciting activities, including climbing, abseiling, rafting, high ropes and also, by the looks of the Twitter feed, a lot of eating. We threw in a 2am fire drill for good measure! It's been a lovely way to finish their time at our school.

Names on Belongings

Throughout the year, we have had a phenomenal amount of lost property, most of it without names on! Please take the time to ensure that all your child's clothes are labelled clearly with their name. It is really helpful if equipment, such as water bottles, is also labelled. This will save you money!

Governors' Award Winners

We were delighted to see the hall packed out with visitors on Monday and Thursday mornings for our Governors' Awards Ceremonies. There were 140 recipients of awards in total, and these awards are very special: they represent a great achievement on the part of the children and their families. For those who missed out on awards, please don't be disheartened. We recognise and appreciate the efforts that all our children and families have made throughout the year. A full list of this year's winners is on the back page. Well done everyone!

Beeches Has Got Talent

On Tuesday evening, our children put on the most wonderful show. We had singing, dancing, comedy, music, a very dubious rap and punctuation lesson by MC Grammar (a.k.a. Mr. Stuart) and a slightly weird interlude by Mr. Price! Thank you and congratulations to all the children who auditioned and performed. Whether or not your audition was successful, please persevere and keep on developing your skills. We are so proud of all the talents our children have. Thanks also to the children who carried out important roles to ensure the show could run smoothly, including our comperes and judges, and thank you to the families who supported their children by helping them practice and by coming along to watch the show. It was a lovely evening. Congratulations to our winner, Asaiah, on his enthralling breakdancing routine!

Diary Dates

Fri 19th Jul Mon 22nd Jul Mon 2nd Sep Tue 3rd Sep Fri 25th Oct Mon 4th Nov Tue 5th Nov

Children break up for summer Teacher Day - school closed Teacher Day - school closed Start of Autumn Term Break up for half term School reopens Photographer in school

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Governors' Award Winners - July 2019

Congratulations to you all!

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